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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I chose a competitive provider because my previous provider, Comcast, delivered substandard service, had onerous privacy-invading policies and did not support net neutrality. Fast, competitive broadband access is critical to my work, which I perform at home, and is critical to my household, with two young boys who rely on it for education.

Until Sonic, my current provider, built out their fiber infrastructure, I was beholden to Comcast. They were my reluctant, only choice. Now that my community has choice, it has forced all providers to be more competitive and customer focused.

I support broadband competition both as a consumer and a business owner. Please do not gut the 1996 Telecommunications Act. The massive lobbying efforts by legacy telecom threaten competition and making their proposed changes will harm me and others.

Sincerely,

Matthew Trifiro